



January 15, 2010

Ms. Jan Palumbo (AWT-121)  
United States EPA, Region 10  
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900  
Seattle, WA 98101

Subject: **January 2010 Progress Report  
J.H. BAXTER ARLINGTON FACILITY  
Docket No. RCRA-10-2001-0086**

Dear Ms. Palumbo:

This letter provides the January 2010 progress report for work under the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for the J.H. Baxter & Co. (Baxter) facility during the period from December 15, 2009, to January 15, 2010.

#### **Significant Developments This Period**

This section discusses significant developments for the reporting period, including actions performed and any problems encountered relative to work required by the AOC. Significant developments that occurred on this project during this reporting period are outlined below:

- Groundwater elevation data from existing wells are currently being collected monthly.
- Baxter installed nine boreholes between December 14 and December 23, 2009, as part of the Supplemental Groundwater Investigation. Four groundwater samples were collected from each borehole at different depths using hydropunch equipment. Laboratory results are currently being validated and boring logs are being prepared. Baxter will submit the results of this investigation with the next progress report.
- On December 24, 2009, Baxter submitted to EPA the 3rd Quarter 2009 Operations and Monitoring Report – Remedial Action Pilot Study.

#### **Anticipated Developments Next Period**

This section discusses developments anticipated during the next reporting period, as outlined below:

- The Remedial Action Pilot System will continue to be evaluated during the next reporting period, including monthly groundwater elevation data collection.
- The next routine quarterly groundwater monitoring activities are scheduled for the week of February 8, 2010.



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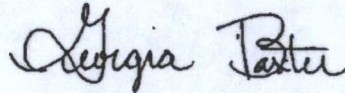
Any other information relevant to the AOC is discussed in this section, including results of any sampling or testing completed within the reporting period.

- Baxter has no other information to report.

### Certification

I certify that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to evaluate the information submitted. I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this submittal is true, accurate and complete. As to those identified portions(s) of this submittal for which I cannot personally verify the accuracy, I certify that this submittal and all attachments were prepared in accordance with procedures designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those directly responsible for gathering the information, or the immediate supervisor of such person(s), the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

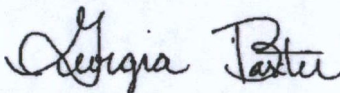
Signature:



Name: Georgia Baxter  
Title: Chief Executive Officer  
Date: January 15, 2010

We trust this letter meets the intent of the Progress Report per Paragraph 71 of the AOC. If you have any questions, please contact me at (650) 349-0201

Sincerely,



Georgia Baxter  
CEO

cc: Jeanne Tran, Ecology  
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